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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Briefing of Defense Subcommittee of
House Appropriations Committee

1. This memorandum is for information only.

2. Pursuant to a telephone request from Mr. Sam Crosby on Monday, 20 March 1961, and with your approval, arrangements have been made for you to appear before the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee next Monday and Tuesday, 27 and 28 March 1961, in both morning and afternoon sessions. This is to be the annual briefing of this group which was deferred temporarily by discussions between Mr. Mahon and Chairman Cannon.

3. I have alerted General Cabell, Messrs. Amory, Stoertz and Lehman. Mr. Lehman is preparing the briefing papers which are substantially the material which you used in briefing the Killday Subcommittee with an updating and expansion of the world roundup section. Reproduction of this material will be completed on Friday afternoon unless you desire to review the material prior to that time. In order to have the material on Laos and the Congo completely up to date, Mr. Lehman does not plan to complete this portion of the briefing material until Sunday, 26 March.

4. I am advised that General Cabell plans to accompany you on the 27th and will conduct the USIA meeting in your absence on Tuesday morning and that, should the briefing continue beyond 3:00 P.M. on the 28th, he will be prepared to take over for you at that time so that you might fill another commitment. I assume that you will want Messrs. Amory, Stoertz, Lehman and Warner to accompany you also.

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5. If you desire to have a briefing and review of this material in advance, we shall make arrangements for Friday afternoon or such other time as you may designate.

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